

MINUTES

North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission

Planning & Standards Committee February 10, 2016

The Planning & Standards (P&S) Committee of the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission met at Wake Tech Public Safety Center, Raleigh on February 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present

Commissioner Scott Cunningham, Chairman
Commissioner James Moore
Commissioner Richard Epley
Commissioner Jeff Welty
Commissioner Trey Robison
Commissioner Allen Smith
Commissioner Teresa Jardon
Commissioner James Fisher-Davis
Commission Bill Grey, joined the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Guests Present

Tracy McPherson, NC CCS, Commissioner
Charles Walston, NC DPS, Commissioner
Danny Tuttle, Greensboro PD
Jeff Prichard, Graham PD
Ricky Gooch, Pinehurst PD
Earl Phipps, Pinehurst PD
Coby Crandall, Pro Se Reentry & Recovery Svcs Inc.
David Barbour, NC DPI
Michael Petti, Fayetteville PD
Michael Casey, Fayetteville PD
Brigitte Kelley, Fayetteville PD
Tracy Bass-Caine, Fayetteville PD

Staff Present

Steven Combs, CJ Standards Division
Trevor Allen, CJ Standards Division
Charminique Branson, Standards Division
Dawn Suffel, CJ Standards Division
Sharon Witherspoon, CJ Standards Division
Bob Overton, Standards Division

Call to Order

Chairman Scott Cunningham called the committee meeting to order and declared a quorum.

Approval of the November 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Allen Smith and **seconded** by Commissioner Jeff Welty.
Motion carried unanimously.

Rule-Making Hearing

Under separate cover.

Proposed Rule Revision – 12 NCAC 09C .0306

Discussion over proposed changes to the lateral process revealed further debate. Chairman Cunningham recommended and the Committee agreed to schedule this item for formal discussion before deciding to send it to the full commission for rulemaking authority. Staff was asked to conduct a detailed evaluation and present at the May meeting.

Officer Award Program

Director Combs and Dep. Director Allen offered a couple of ideas in how to approach an awards program. Committee discussion revealed the need to solicit input from agencies and related associations to assist with direction of the program. Staff was asked to share collected feedback at the May meeting.

Recruitment & Retention Study

Dep. Director Allen explained that surveys by both ECU and ASU are in final approval stage with expectations of collecting data as early as March for Corrections and in April for law enforcement. Preliminary results will be shared at the May meeting.

Trevor also shared an informational item related to recruitment - a list that shows BLET cancellations due to low enrollment since July of 2015.

Public Safety Academies

On recommendation from Commissioner McPherson of NC Community Colleges, Dr. David Barbour from the Dept. of Public Instruction (DPI) made presentation to the Committee concerning emerging programs across the state that prepare high school students for public safety careers. Dr. Barbour explained academy development will soon expand to include Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement/Corrections curriculum and seeks future conversation with the Commission and its staff since the objective is to ultimately recruit and prepare students for careers with agencies overseen by the Commission.

Medical Guidelines Review

Committee agreed to invite Dr. Stephanie Crapo (NCSHP Medical Director) to present at the May meeting.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Planning & Standards Committee will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at Wake Tech Community College, Public Safety Center, Raleigh.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Allen Smith and **seconded** by Commissioner Trey Robison. **Motion carried** unanimously.

**RULE-MAKING HEARING
RULES REVISIONS**

**North Carolina Criminal Justice
Education and Training Standards Commission**

February 10, 2016

Call to Order

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Chairman Cunningham advised that proposed amendments would be read and, if needed, the amendments would be explained by staff. He stated that after the rules are presented and explained, anyone wishing to comment would be allowed to do so.

Chairman Cunningham read into the record the proposed rule amendments ---

12 NCAC 09F .0106 SANCTIONS

Dep. Director Allen explained that changes made to this rule allow Commission staff to conduct discretionary audits of CCH instructors' classes to ensure course and instruction compliance. **Motion** to approve was made by Commissioner Jeff Welty and **seconded** by Commissioner James Fisher-Davis. **Motion carried** unanimously.

12 NCAC 09B .0401 AND .0403 TIME REQUIREMENT & EVALUATION FOR TRAINING WAIVER

Dep. Director Allen explained that changes made to the above two rules provide means for active duty military members to complete BLET and be eligible for law enforcement certification upon leaving the military. Concerns were raised regarding inconsistent language between the rules over eligibility and time frame. **Motion** to postpone for clarification was made by Commissioner Jeff Welty and **seconded** by Commissioner James Fisher-Davis. **Motion carried** unanimously.

Discussion also generated a request to study provision for separated LEO in good standing to complete annual in-service requirements online through the Justice Academy (w/ exception of firearms) making it consistent with military members. **Motion** for study was made by Commissioner James Moore and **seconded** by James Fisher-Davis. **Motion carried** unanimously.

Chairman Cunningham acknowledged end of the rule-making hearing.